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RESPONSE

In response to the action mailed June 19, 2002 (the "Action"), please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-11 and 13-25.

Please amend claims 12 and 26 as follows:

-- 12. (Amended) A medicinal ointment comprising 5% to 25% by weight an active kavalactone, wherein the active kavalactone is a combination of dihydromethysticin, dihydrokawain, and kawain.

a' 26. (Amended) A patch comprising a material layer and a composition associated with the material layer; the composition having 5% to 25% by weight an active kavalactone, wherein the active kavalactone is a combination of dihydromethysticin, dihydrokawain, and kawain. --

[Please add claims 27-28.]

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